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SUBJECT: REPORTED BOMBING ATTACK ON BECHTEL CORPORATION
OFFICE IN BILBAO
, MR. ALBERT ESCOLA, MANAGER OF SECURITY FOR BECHTEL
CORPORATION OF SAN FRANCISCO, PHONED DEPARTMENT MARCH 1
TO REPORT THAT BECHTEL CORPORATION OFFICIALS IN SPAIN HAD
INFORMED HIS OFFICE THAT THE BECHTEL ENGINEERING OFFICE
IN BILBAO, WHICH IS INVOLVED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF A
NUCLEAR PLANT NEAR BILBAO (PRESUMABLY LEMONIZ), WAS BOMBED
AROUND MIDNIGHT OF FEBRUARY 28. BECHTEL IS UNDER CONTRACT
TO IBERDUERO. NO CASUALTIES WERE REPORTED, AND THE EXTENT
OF DAMAGE IS UNCLEAR. ESCOLA IS ALSO INFORMED THERE WERE
SEVERAL OTHER BOMBINGS IN THE AREA ON THE SAME NIGHT.

2. ESCOLA'S SOURCES INFORMED HIM THAT ETA IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR THE BOMBING AND WILL CONTINUE ITS ATTACKS UNTIL NUCLEAR
PLANT CONSTRUCTION IS HALTED.

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3. ESCOLA IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE MADRID EARLY FRIDAY,
MARCH 3, TO ASSESS THE SITUATION. HE INDICATED HE WILL
CONTACT THE EMBASSY (POLITICAL COUNSELOR) UPON ARRIVAL
AND HOPES TO RECEIVE BRIEFING ON THE SITUATION. ESCOLA
EXPECTS TO BE IN BILBAO ON MORNING OF MONDAY, MARCH 6 AND
WILL CONTACT CONSULATE. VANCE

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